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Mr. Jerry North  
Interstate Brick  
9780 South 5200 West  
West Jordan, Utah 84088-5625

Re: Release Request, Interstate Brick Company, Five Mile Pass, M/045/006, Tooele County, Utah

Dear Mr. North:

On February 2, 2000, we received your request to release Interstate Brick from reclamation obligations at the Five Mile Pass project, as this property was going to be sold for a landfill. A map was provided with your request showing the 84 acres at the minesite. On February 15, 2000, you accompanied me on an inspection to examine Pit 3d as shown on the mine map submitted with your request. As a result of this inspection, the Division is unable to honor your release request at this time. The Division respects your wishes to sell this property and does not want to hold up this transaction. Therefore, Interstate Brick can do one of the following two options.

The first option would be to submit aerial photographs of the area to prove that the disturbances are indeed pre-law (prior to July 1, 1977). It is necessary that any disturbance post July 1, 1977, such as pits, waste piles and access roads that were used by Interstate Brick be reclaimed. Any roads considered county roads or roads needed for ongoing mine related projects can be left unreclaimed, as long as they are identified as such, and a variance is granted for leaving the roads unreclaimed. After reclamation work is completed, a minimum period of at least one growing season and possibly three growing seasons would have to transpire prior to Division release.

The second option would be to formally transfer the permit to the new owner who would then, at a minimum, be required to reclaim all disturbances previously caused by Interstate Brick. The new owner would be required to submit a reclamation surety and a Reclamation Contract to cover reclamation of these disturbances. A transfer form is enclosed for your use if you choose this option.

Please contact me or D. Wayne Hedberg as to your intentions or if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Tom Munson  
Reclamation Specialist  
Minerals Reclamation Program

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Enclosure: Transfer Form

cc: John Blake, SITLA (ML28072)  
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